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Dear Mr. Hartman,

The United States does not need a new plant to build, refurbish, or upgrade nuclear weapons.

The 21<sup>st</sup> century should be the era the U.S. finally becomes the leading spokesperson for stewardship, sanity, and sustainability for life, not mutation.

The US weapons stockpile needs to be dismantled. The Y-12 Environmental Impact Statement and Y-12 Plan to build new plants for weapons production is a waste of taxpayer money, is robbing our children's future, and threaten our credibility of "world leader" status. Under of what? No to new nuclear <sup>power</sup> plants, no to new nuclear weapons plants, and no to nuclear, period.

You may respond in writing  
Sincerely,

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Comment noted. There is no plan or proposal in the Y-12 SWEIS to build a new bomb plant or to increase the size of the Nation's nuclear weapons arsenal. In accordance with Section 91 of the *Atomic Energy Act*, DOE carries out its mission (i.e., atomic weapons activities) consistent with the consent of and direction from the President and Congress. This consent and direction are contained in the Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Memorandum, which is updated annually. The issue of whether DOE should produce nuclear weapons and alternative uses of the Nation's funds are beyond the scope of the Y-12 SWEIS.

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